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PUBLIC NOTICES

IMPORT TRADE CONTROL

New Delhi, the 18th December 1957

SUBJECT:—*Import policy for Non-ferrous virgin metals—October, 1957—March, 1958.*

No. 81-ITC(PN)/57.—Non-ferrous virgin metals falling under S. Nos. 43-A, 44, 45 (a), 47, 48 etc. of Part I of the I.T.C. Schedule were removed from Open General Licences with effect from 1st July 1957, and it was announced in para 2 of Ministry of Commerce and Industry Public Notice No. 41-ITC (PN)/57, dated 29th June 1957 that in respect of items removed from Open General Licences, importers should establish their quotas with the licensing authorities concerned as early as possible. It has been brought to notice that certain actual users who had imported these goods under the Open General Licences have not yet established their quotas as required. They are now requested to do so as early as possible. The last date upto which applications will be accepted by the licensing authorities for this purpose will be 15th January, 1958.

2. To meet immediate requirements, some of the actual users have been granted licences on an *ad hoc* basis from the headquarters office but it may be necessary ultimately to adjust these against the quota licences of the firms concerned.

3. Attention of importers is also invited to the provisions contained in Ministry of Commerce and Industry Public Notice No. 75-ITC (PN)/57, dated 21st November 1957 according to which licences for 'Copper scrap whether ingotted or otherwise' (S. No. 42/I), could be utilised for import of Copper unwrought in the form of ingots, blooms, slabs, cakes, tiles, bricks, blocks, billets, cathodes, blister bars, electrolytic wire bars and ingot bars (S. No. 47/I). On reconsideration, it has been decided that this concession shall also apply to all quota licences for 'Copper scrap, whether ingotted or otherwise' (S. No. 42/I), issued during the earlier licensing period but which may still be valid.

It is not necessary to present these licences for necessary amendment to the licensing authorities but clearance will be allowed by the customs on the authority of this Public Notice.

SUBJECT.—*Import policy for Machine screws [S. No. 22 (a)/I] during October, 1957–March, 1958.*

No. 82-ITC(PN)/57.—Attention of the importers is invited to the remark against S. No. 22 (b)/I, in Section II of the current Red Book according to which upto 10 per cent. of the face value of quota licences for S. No. 22 (b)/I can be utilised for import of Machine screws [S. No. 22 (a)/I].

2. As a result of representations received from the trade, it has been decided that in addition to the existing provision, a further concession will be allowed under which upto 10 per cent. of the face value of quota licences for S. No. 22 (b)/I can also be utilised for the import of only the special types of Machine screws mentioned below:—

- (i) Nickel chrome alloy steel high tensile socket head cap screws.
- (ii) Nickel chrome alloy steel high tensile socket set screws of different types of points.
- (iii) Nickel chrome alloy steel high tensile countersunk head screws.
- (iv) Nickel chrome alloy steel high tensile shoulder screws.
- (v) Nickel chrome alloy steel high tensile pressure plug.
- (vi) Nickel chrome alloy steel high tensile square head screws.
- (vii) Nickel chrome alloy steel high tensile tee bolts.

3. It is not necessary to present licences already issued for S. No. 22 (b)/I for the current half year to the licensing authorities for necessary amendment. The custom authorities will allow clearance on the authority of this Public Notice.

SUBJECT.—*Import policy for 'Laboratory chemicals and reagents except those specified in List IV'—Appendix XXVIII—Red Book for October, 1957–March, 1958.*

No. 83-ITC(PN)/57.—Attention of the importers is invited to the policy for 'Laboratory chemicals and reagents except those specified in List IV' indicated against Item No. 5 of List I and Item No. 23 of List III of Appendix XXVIII of the current Red Book wherein it has been laid down *inter-alia* that not more than 10 per cent. of the face value of these quota licences can be utilised for import of any single item.

2. As a result of representations received from the trade, it has been decided to remove this 10 per cent. face value restriction on these quota licences for 'Laboratory chemicals and reagents except those specified in List IV'. The relevant remarks against this item—'Laboratory chemicals and reagents except those specified in List IV' in List I and List III of Appendix XXVIII of the current Red Book may be deemed to have been deleted.

3. It is not necessary to present the licences already issued for this item to the licensing authorities concerned for amendment. The custom authorities will allow clearance on the authority of this Public Notice.

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